

**OREGON AND WASHINGTON DEPARTMENTS OF FISH AND WILDLIFE**  
**JOINT STAFF REPORT - SUMMER FACT SHEET NO. 5**  
**Columbia River Compact/Joint State Hearing**  
**July 22, 2005**

Fisheries under consideration:	Treaty Indian salmon Non-Treaty commercial salmon
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**STOCK STATUS**

- The TAC has updated the summer Chinook run to the preseason forecast of 62,400. The sockeye run will exceed the preseason forecast of 70,800 fish and is expected to be 73,000.

**SUMMER SEASON FISHERY UPDATES**

***Non-Treaty Commercial Fishery***

- The commercial fishery has landed 2,693 summer Chinook, 1,292 white sturgeon, and 38 green sturgeon during five fishing periods (June 23-July 19). Landings during the 5<sup>th</sup> period included an estimated 217 summer Chinook and 91 white sturgeon from 55 deliveries.

***Sport Salmon/Steelhead Fisheries***

- The recreational salmon fishery below Bonneville Dam is expected to harvest a total of 1,950-2,150 summer Chinook.

***Non-Treaty Commercial Fishery***

<b><i>Joint Staff Recommendation</i></b>	
Adopt the following fishing periods for the mainstem Columbia River:	
Season:	7 PM Monday July 25 <sup>th</sup> – 5 AM Tuesday July 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2005 (10 hours)
Area:	Zones 1-5.
Sanctuaries:	Grays River, Elokomina-A, Cowlitz River, Kalama-A, Lewis-A, Washougal and Sandy Rivers.
Gear:	8-inch minimum mesh size.
Allowable Sales:	Chinook, coho, shad, and sturgeon. All sockeye and steelhead must be released immediately. A maximum of three sturgeon may be possessed or sold by each participating vessel during each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that the fishery is open. The three sturgeon possession/sales limit includes both mainstem and Select Area fisheries.
Expected Catch:	200-400 Chinook.
Steelhead Handle:	Total season handle-86, including 20 wild mortalities, based on a 3,200 Chinook harvest.
Miscellaneous Regulations:	Quick reporting rule in effect for Washington buyers.

- Anticipated cumulative season landings with this additional fishing period would be approximately 2,900 – 3,100 summer Chinook and 1,425 white sturgeon.

**FUTURE MEETINGS**

- A Columbia River Compact hearing has been scheduled for 10 AM Thursday, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2005 in the 6th floor Hearing Room of the Clark County Board of Commissioners located at the Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, WA.